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FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

To: Jeff Jacobson, Esq.

No.: (516) 295-6872

Client No.

Re: Gordon Gano - Violent Femmes

Date: April 18, 2001

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Gross:

\$128,000

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- 2. Brian and Gordon will each be paid \$1,000 per show (total \$14,000).
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\$38,495

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\$26,095¹ \$ 9,577

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\$20,000

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610 $5,000^2$

7. To the extent either Brian or Gordon (either individually or on behalf of VF2) are claiming payment and/or reimbursement for any funds paid or services rendered in the past, or either is claiming that the other incurred expenses for VF2 which were either unnecessary, not approved, etc., whether now known or hereafter discovered, such claims will be forever waived and relinquished by both Brian and Gordon and VF2. They include, without limitation: (1) Brian's Internet services fee; (3) Gordon's reimbursement of \$9,000 for video; (3) Gordon's reimbursement of \$2,000 paid to Guy Hoffman; (4) costs of flutes purchased by Brian; (5) cost of Gordon's tour bus.

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Costs³:

Tour expenses \$ 45,000 (est.)

Agent:

12,800

Fees:

14,000 (\$1K per show for Brain/Gordon)

Net(est.):

(71,800) \$ 56,200

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Brian Ritchic	Dated: April 18, 2001
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ACCEPTED & AGREED TO:

Gordon Gano

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Brian Ritchie	
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Gordon Gano	Bated. 11pin 10, 2001

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FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

To: Jamie Kitman - Hornblow Group cc: Jeff Jacobson, Esq.

(845) 358-8041 No.:

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Re:

Violent Femmes

Date: April 20, 2001

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This is to confirm your agreement wherein you agreed that if Gordon performs at the 9 dates (4/22 through 5/19) set forth below, you will waive your commissions on the tour receipts from the first 7 dates listed below. You are not waiving your commission on the dates at Brown University on 4/18 (not listed below), and the dates at Montgomery, AL on 5/26 and Chicago, IL on 5/19 (listed below). Your commission on those three dates only will be 15% of the gross paid to VF2.

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5/19	Chicago, IL	U. of Chicago	\$ 35,000

As per Howard Comart, your unpaid commissions as of 3/15/01 totaled \$35,095.55. He also advised that you instructed the UK licensor to pay Hornblow the net receipts due the artists in the amount of \$12,000 (\$20,000 less \$8,000 withheld for UK taxes). Thus, the current amount due you is \$26,095.55 (i.e., \$35,095.55 plus \$3,000 commission on UK monies less \$12,000 retained by Hornblow), plus the \$3,000 commission for the Brown University date, plus your out of pocket expenses for the group, through today's date, which you represented totaled approximately \$1,000.

Also, Gordon has agreed that VF2 will guarantee you payment of the amounts due you, in the amount of \$29,095.55 plus your out of pocket expenses (not to exceed \$1,200), and your commission on the three dates described above (if VF2 is actually paid on such dates), provided you provide me with an itemized list of such expenses, which payment shall be made to you on or before May 15, 2001.

Of course, Gordon's to the foregoing is expressly contingent on: (1) Gordon and Brian entering into a written agreement signed by Brian to, among other things, dissolve VF2 and to retire all of the corporation's outstanding debts, in the form attached hereto. and (2) that VF2 is paid in full for all of the dates referred to above, provided that any failure by any venue or promoter to pay such monies is not due to the non-appearance of Gordon Gano at any such show.

HORNBLOW GROUP	
By:	•
Jamie Kitman	
VF2, Inc.	
By:	

AGREED:

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To: Jeff Jacobson, Esq., Dan Weiss, Esq.

cc: Howard Comart

No.: 645-5038

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Re: Violent Femmes/Gordon Gano and Brian Ritchie/VF2, Inc.

Date: May 14, 2001

Hard copy of attached documents will () will not (x) be mailed or delivered.

The following are the rough numbers of tour receipts/expenses, and paid/unpaid VF2 debt through today, as per Howard Comart (they include all dates performed to date, taking into account the Berkeley date and the canceled Cincinnati date):

Tour to date:

1. Gross received to date:

\$153,000

Expenses:

Agent: \$15,400 Hornblow: \$7,500¹ Gano: \$7,000 Ritchie: \$9,000 Road Exp.: \$29,600 Crew: \$15,500 Bus: \$5,000

Air/Hotel:

\$ 5,000 \$23,700

Hoffman:

\$4,000 (@\$500 per show)

(\$116,700)

Net to date:

\$ 36,300

2. There is approx. \$20,000 additional in VF2's bank account. \$ 20,000

This represents 15% commission on the Providence date (\$20,000) and the Berkeley date (\$30,000), although I will see if Kitman will waive this fee since it substituted for the Cincinnati canceled date, which was not commissionable.

3. There is about \$3,000 "road float" held by road manager. \$3,000

4. Comart has paid the following:

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DV: \$ 610

(\$51,705)

5. Unpaid corporate debt:

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 \$13,000

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 \$ 9,577

 Guy Hoffman:
 \$20,000

 Dominick Engel
 \$ 2,000

(\$45,577)

6. Outstanding tour expenses (through 5/14/01) including crew,
Brian and Gordon fees for one show, Guy Hoffman for one show: (\$ 5,400)

OUTSTANDING DEBTS:

(\$43,382)

Thus, the additional dates (5/25 - 7/13) which will gross another \$132,500 (plus the club date of \$4,500 +70%) and, if we are lucky, at the current burn rate for tour expenses, *may* cover this outstanding debt (N.B. Kitman will be commissioning these dates). I don't see any reason for Gordon to agree to pay each member more than the \$1,000 per show as before, since Gordon only wants to do these dates to pay the balance of the debt. Either way, Gordon has said in no uncertain terms that the rate will be fixed at \$1,000 for the additional shows.

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